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VICTORY LOG

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OUR MAXIMUM WARTIME PRODUCTION ★

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SPRAGUE EMPLOYEES WIN THEIR FOURTH ARMY-NAVY "E"

With Crashing of Tamboes and a Rousing Chorus,
the Seventh Annual and Most Colorful Benefit Show

Opens Nov. 16th



Members of Chorus Rehearse Their Parts

Usual Sprague Spirit of Co-operation and Determination again overcome all obstacles to prepare this THIRD war-time production.

Show to be Repeated at Williamstown

The excellence of the Sprague Minstrel performances has become traditional. Now, other organizations are asking for this fine talent. The Rotarians of Williamstown have invited the entire cast to present two shows, matinee and evening on Saturday, November 25th, at Adams Memorial Theatre, proceeds to be given to the North Adams hospital and the Williamstown Boys' Club. This is in addition to the North Adams performances staged at Drury High School on November 16th and 17th.

Jimmy Oldham as Interlocutor promises to give a very finished performance, the chorus will respond with enthusiasm to the baton of Fritz Windover and the very excellent and assured musical accompaniment of Dora Tietgens.

The chorus will sing catchy, popular music as a background to the soloists: Jean Murray, Patty Shaw, Fred Seddon, Alton Perry, Jane Windover, Eva Rivard and Larry Madison. Endmen "Gene" Pike, "Cedo" Remillard, Howard Carney, Pete Mancuso, Bernie Bullett and Wilfred Harris will delight with their antics and their songs. A special musical trio is arranged for Mary Fachini, Jane Windover and Andreanna Prystas, with the music especially arranged for them by Mrs. Robert Barrow of Williamstown.

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The Annual Sprague Minstrel and Benefit Revue goes into its seventh season, with two performances slated for November 16th and 17th at the Drury High School auditorium.

Sellout Weeks in Advance

So popular has this annual revue become, that when the tickets were put on sale at 8:00 o'clock on November 1st, practically all of them were sold, or spoken for by noon of that same day.

Standing Committee

The Standing Committee, which has sponsored this Benefit, is the same Committee which was in charge for several years past: Etta Owen, Roy and Charlotte Trotter, Fred Windover, Larry Haskins, William Jette, Kay Corsi, Ray Mahar and Mary Fachini. To their untiring efforts, belongs the credit due to this worthy enterprise. Credit is also due to all the members of the cast—chorus—endmen—actors—who gave of their time and energy for many weeks, to bring this show to its final sparkling tempo. The "men behind the scenes" deserve a great share of credit for their contributions.

Committees for the 1944 Production include:

Etta Owen	Chairman
Larry Haskins	In Charge of Olio
Fritz Windover	
	In Charge of Chorus and Minstrel
Ardelle Ruby	Dance
Ray Mahar	Tickets
Marvin Williams	Make-up
Mary Mathews	Ushers
Wm. Jette and Roy Trotter	Stage and Properties

SYMBOL OF EXCELLENCE IN WAR PRODUCTION RECEIVED OCT. 28

Army and Navy Officials Stress Fact — War Not Won Until Boys Come Home!

Praising employees of Sprague Electric Company for maintaining a high record in production of some of the most essential and crucial items of war materiel, Assistant Secretary of War Robert E. Patterson wrote to the Sprague Employees on October 28, and awarded them their fourth Army-Navy "E".

This Award places a third star on the Army-Navy flags flown at the Sprague Plants. It places the stamp of approval and "Well Done" from our Government on the work and attitude of each Sprague worker.

Your Boy Is Everyone's Concern

So deep is the concern of Mr. and Mrs. America for every boy and girl in Service, that they do what they can to aid, no matter how small that contribution may be. Daily, our citizens are watching, praying, hoping and helping — so that Victory may come soon — and loved ones may return to their homes and normal lives.

The following incident proves our point. When Sgt. Charles W. Gaudette, a Ball Turret Gunner was reported a German prisoner of war, kindly folk who had heard that report over short-wave radio sets, wrote to his wife, Mrs. Doris Gaudette of the Tubular Assembly Department, about the news. They knew that any information she might have, would allay her anxiety. Most of those persons were strangers—many listen nightly to short-wave reports and relay them to anxious families. A few persons contribute their mite by furnishing postage, so these messages may reach relatives.

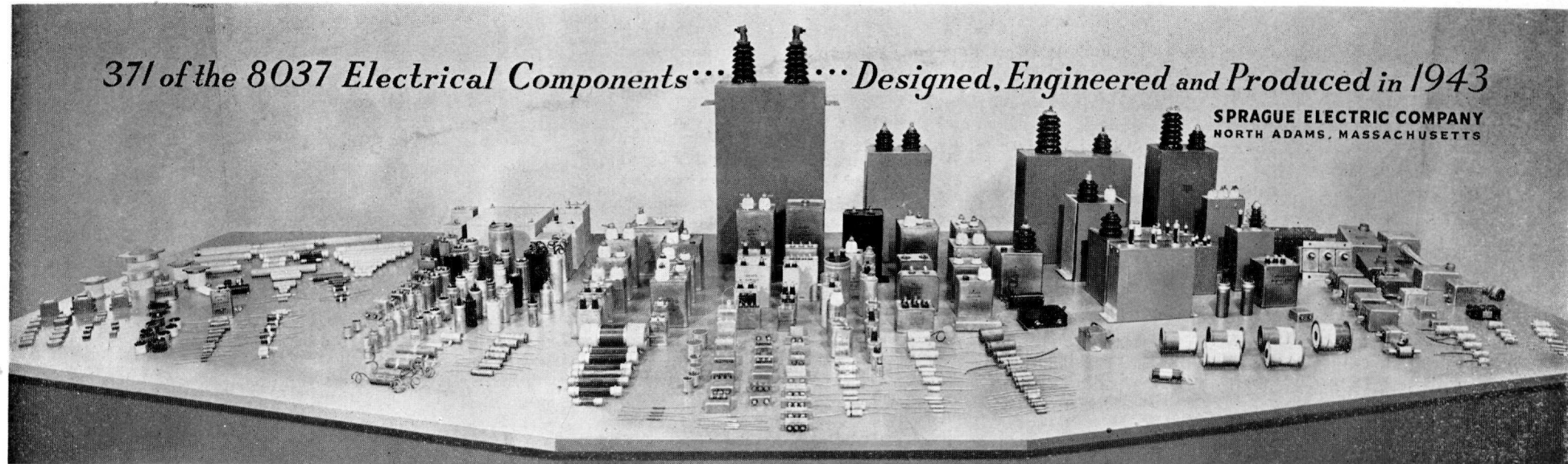


Sgt. Charles W. Gaudette
Prisoner of War

Sgt. Gaudette, on a B-17 Flying Fortress was first reported missing in action on September 13, 1944. Through the International Red Cross at

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Sprague Employees Make Vital Contribution to the War Effort



371 of the 8037 Electrical Components... Designed, Engineered and Produced in 1943

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NORTH ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS

"Of the Employees,—by the Employees,—for the Employees."



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"Every Sprague Worker an Assistant Reporter."

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AWARD BRINGS AN OBLIGATION

This Fourth "E" award also places on each Sprague worker, an obligation. This is the obligation which always comes with a job well done,—with success,—it is the obligation to take this award seriously. This fourth Army-Navy "E" is recognition from our Government that we are not only GOOD STARTERS but good stayers . . . We have kept everlastingly at it, as urged by Governor Saltonstall on April 2, 1943, when receiving our first award . . . And so NOW the winning of this Fourth Award says in no uncertain voice that we must continue, by producing enough . . . and ALL THE TIME! It therefore, also places on us the obligation to be GOOD FINISHERS; to keep up the good work until VICTORY is completely won -- and the boys come home.

NOVEMBER 11, 1944

The publication date of this issue of the LOG is November 11 -- Armistice Day, 1944 . . . Let us pray that before another November 11th Victory will not only be in sight, but an assured fact . . . Let us pray that out of this terrible conflict, will come a lasting peace . . . Let us pray that in future days, Armistice Day can be replaced by a day which stands for "Permanent Peace."

WHAT IS A CAPACITOR?

Briefly, a capacitor is one of the many different electrical components which Sprague workers turn out in peace and war times.

On the front page, we show a portion of an exhibit of a small part of the total number of electrical components designed, engineered and manufactured by Sprague employees in 1943. Among them are many capacitors of many types.

The other day, we were talking to a worker who said: "There must be hundreds of Sprague workers who would like to know more about the things we make -- they would like to know what a capacitor is -- what a resistor is -- and learn about other items made by the Sprague Electric Company."

So we started asking, "What is a capacitor?" The answers were not only varied but interesting -- some serious, some humorous, and some highly technical. In a later issue, we shall give you some of the brief answers we received to our question. And then, we will publish an article about capacitors which we hope will help Sprague workers to know more about them. Other products will be taken up later, in turn. The LOG hopes that it will be rendering a service which its readers will find of real value.

WAR DEPARTMENT
 Office of the Under Secretary
 Washington, D. C.

28 October 1944

To the Men and Women of
 Sprague Electric Company
 North Adams, Massachusetts

I am pleased to inform you that you have won for the fourth time the Army-Navy Production Award for outstanding achievement in producing materials essential to the war effort.

By maintaining the distinguished record which previously brought you distinction, you are once again proving your leadership on the production front.

This third White Star added to your Army-Navy Production Award flag carries with it the thanks and congratulations of our Armed Forces.

Sincerely yours,
 Robert P. Patterson
 Under Secretary of War

PRESIDENT SPRAGUE REPLIES TO UNDER SECRETARY OF WAR, ROBERT L. PATTERSON

31 October 1944

The Honorable Robert P. Patterson
 Under Secretary of War
 War Department
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Patterson:

We were all proud to learn from your letters of October 28th, addressed to the Men and Women of the Sprague Electric Company, that for the fourth time we have won the Army-Navy Production Award for outstanding achievement in producing materials essential to the war effort.

Not only do we most sincerely appreciate this further recognition, but particularly at this time when our forces on the European continent and in the Pacific are most actively engaged with our enemies, feel a deep responsibility for continuing our utmost efforts to manufacture in maximum quantity and to the highest quality possible, those items we are best in a position to furnish for our armed forces.

Our entire organization joins in pledging a continuation of our all-out effort towards the winning of the war at the earliest possible date.

Cordially yours,
 R. C. Sprague
 Sprague Electric Company
 President.



Street market scene in India, as seen by Salvatore DeSacco, brother of Doris of Paper Rolling.

WHAT IS LOG SOCIAL COMMITTEE?

What Is It Accomplishing?

Many are wondering just what this Committee is attempting to do and just what is to be done with the money it is raising.

I will try to explain and outline our objective as briefly as possible.

It is the sincere desire of the North Adams Hospital Superintendent and its Board of Trustees to reopen the Student Nursing School at our North Adams Hospital.

Unfortunately the school cannot be opened until after the war. Did I hear why? Answer: A school requires a Principal, who must be a graduate nurse and holding a degree, also two instructors who must be graduate nurses and holding degrees. These cannot be obtained now, as those who are not already in service are instructing in Cadet Nursing Schools.

Therefore, an attempt is being made to do the ground work and have everything in readiness.

In an interview with the Superintendent of the hospital Miss Isabel Baird, who outlined what was needed

for the school, the following equipment was decided upon. Equipment for the school Diet Kitchen, and a Chase Baby Doll.

The Diet Kitchen equipment consists of ten gas plates and utensils necessary for ten places. This kitchen reminds one of the cooking class room at high school.

The Chase Doll is a life like baby doll that the students use in receiving their practical training.

The Social Committee is proud to say they have \$135.00 in their treasury now. As stated in the last Log Edition our next venture is to be a food sale.

When the appointed representatives approach you and ask for a donation, won't you please do what you can? Each donation, no matter how small helps.

Remember, this donation to the hospital is to be given in the name of "Sprague Electric Employees—1944."

Mary Mathews
 Chairman of Social Committee

Seventh Annual Revue (Continued from page 1)

Special Dance Act

To add color and grace to the Minstrel part of the show, Ardelle Ruby has arranged a special dancing act, with Alton Perry, Jane Windover, James Oldham, Andreanna Prystas, John Muldowney, Ellen Lambert, Fred Seddon, Lucille Corey, Tom Cullen, Pat Siciliano, Arthur Bacon, Robert Pettibone, Anita Ruggiero and Kay Pappas participating.

Drama Without a Broad "A" States Haskins

"Sprague endmen are always wary of stale eggs and superannuated to-matoes. Hence the traditional custom, in Sprague Minstrels, of starting the evening with a special performance upon which the full fury of the audience can be vented," stated Larry Haskins, in charge of the "Olio" of this season's performance, "and when it is completed Endmen may safely come out from their hiding places in the stage wings." He continues: "It's all drama, but it's not spelled with a broad 'A'. Every taste will be satisfied, whether you like your theatre corny or with ginger ale."

Short Preview

The full details will appear only on the program, but we'll release a few now. Sam Cooks and Kit Carson contrive to settle a weighty problem in the kingdom of Belgravia. Whether Celia Grenier and William Sheldon make this problem more knotty or not, costs the price of one ticket to find out.

Another group of mighty missionaries give a picture of a dying American institution — the blacksmith shop. Please bring your handkerchiefs for this one; it is a real old-fashioned tear-jerker. Among the cast are Priscilla Windover, Wallace Taylor, Cecelia Dupuis, William Jette, William Sheldon, Geraldine Reeves, Lawrence Dufraine, Francis Stanton, Patricia Siciliano, and Lyle Mutart.

It isn't fair to pick out any actors for special mention, but if we were you, we would watch for the sympathetic performance of the great lover, Francis Stanton.

Finally we have "Gottterdammer-opera" or "The Twilight of the Frauds." Anything can happen in this one; in fact anything does, but besides that, it includes travelling, love making, big game hunting, intrigue, and homicide. There's also a triangle affair thrown in for good measure. The principals, now anonymous, will reveal their persons after the show—if that seems safe.

Eva Rivard, our accompanist, is also singing a soprano solo in the Minstrel proper. Denise Pelouquin has charge of makeup; Ardelle Ruby is Properties Manager; and Rita Siciliano will prompt.

Minstrel Show in Preview Over Station WTRY

With Jimmy Oldham as guest Master of Ceremonies members of the Minstrel Show and Revue staged a snappy preview of the Benefit performance in fifteen minutes packed full of song and sayings over station WTRY. This miniature edition of the coming Benefit Show was heard in the "Sprague on Parade" program at 3:30 P.M. November 8th. The specialty features were given by Alton Perry, Patricia Shaw, Charlotte Lasher and Larry Madison as soloists, with funsters Gene Pyke and Cedo Remillard portraying the Minstrel endmen. The chorus numbers presented by the well-trained Log Chorus added much to the enjoyment of this radio performance. Etta Owen spoke briefly about the Benefit Fund and how it is used.

Proud to be a Sprague Worker

Mr. Adelbert Bass of the Can Shop recently visited the Portland Base at Amesbury, Mass. where submarines are built. He came back, feeling very proud and happy that he is working for the Sprague Electric Company—because he learned at the Base, that Sprague condensers used in the subs, are so dependable, and highly considered by all persons installing them.

He learned all this in a talk with his nephew, Mr. Fred Welch, who works at the Base. Mr. Welch said: "We use Sprague condensers because we have learned from experience, that when we install them—they WORK! You people there, can congratulate yourselves on the high type work you put out—It's something to be proud of! Your firm stands at the top of the list!"

Incidentally, Mr. Bass is proud that he is a Sprague employee—as is his wife, Nellie, of the Tubular Assembly department. Three other members of his family are also Sprague workers—Ruth Bass, a daughter-in-law, works in the Maintenance department; Hazel Bass, his daughter-in-law, works in the Ovens Department; his son, Raymond works in the Machine Shop. Two other sons are in service—Robert in France and Charlie, returned from the Aleutians, is stationed in the Aviation Corps in South Dakota.

Sprague Employees Show Diversity of Talent

As two of our reporters have stated in this issue, "It takes a Minstrel to bring out how much talent we have in our department", and "Our Plant has three Sprague members as part of a snappy professional orchestra."

Yes, there is a great deal of talent at Sprague's—there is the talent which gives of its time and resources to stage the Annual Benefit Show each year—there is the well-disciplined Sprague Radio Chorus, giving their time and energy to put on a well balanced radio program every Wednesday—there is a young man in the Western Electric department who leads an amateur orchestra,—there are civic minded persons who give of their special talent for various clubs and organizations. Erma Sweeney, who is running for City Councilman, and Leo Lemoine, appointed to the City Board of Appeals, are two such persons.

Talent of Service

The talent of service is one of special merit. Those young women, who working at a full time job each day, also find time to devote to service at our Hospital. Several of our young women who have received awards as Nurses Aides and graduated from that course at the North Adams Hospital are Doris Hiser, Jean McKay, Norine Colo and Isabelle McFarland.

MARSHALL MUSIC

Partition Patter

By Arthur W. Charron

Cher Batisse,

Is me again, you see,
I work for Sprague or else maybe
He's work for me,
I do not care so long as he
Give that papair for Bank to me.
Is one fonny gurl his name is Ruth
Oh what I give for have back my youth!
Is one leetle gurl his name is Doris
Is laff all tam an' lak horis.
Is one friendly gurl his name is Mabel
Is geeve you his shirt if she is able.
Is one othair gurl his name is Rose
Is wear nice sweatair, not stuffed shirt
—her clothes.

Is one more gurl his name is Marge
Is close to sidewalk but his laff is large.
Is anothair gurl his name Clementine
An' Betty too is behave lak Queen.
Is one tall blonde his name is Ruth
T'was nice to be with in telephone booth.
Is one only ting is mak me sore
Is cant be with a whole lots more.
When pomes lak this is rote by me
You maybe wish I climb a tree,
And maybe you wish you be lak me
An' work for Sprague or he work for me.
—At Partition Assemblee.

Saloon, Goon.

With all those various changes being made, our theme song now is "Someone is Rocking My Dreamboat", closely followed by "Is You Is, Or Is You Ain't My Baby".

"Breakfast at Sardi's" can hardly equal "Lunchtime at Partition Assembly", especially on Hallowe'en. Costumes? -- Ce tainly. Rose Salter wore a raisin and came as a sugar cookie. Marge McConnell buttered her cheeks and came as a bun. Doris Armstrong buttered her cheeks and looked like a whole loaf of bread; and Art Charron used an egg beater and came as a motor boat. Our charming little guest of the evening was Cynthia, daughter of Ruth Millis, who previewed what the well dressed little Gypsy should wear.

To Our Service Friends

If you read in the Log of the fun we had While making those parts you need so bad,
There's a bit of "Pagliacci" beneath each laugh
That rings through the room at some smart paragraph.
You want the best for your loved ones here
So we do our darndest — be of good cheer.
Still, ... it's not the same as it used to be,
In those good old days you were here.
Good luck, Pal.

Selkar

By R. Pasotti and T. Burdick

What happened to the legs of the chair, Celeste?

Missing: One fellow named Bill with Edie's lunch. Never mind, Edie, Christmas is coming!

Say, Kit, what happened to your mirror? It did a fast disappearing act, didn't it?

Cooking lessons are being given daily by Bill to Jeanne, Florence, Maude and Edie. Would anyone like to join the gang on days when delicious hot lunches are served?

Gerry is knitting a bundle, but it's not for Britain. She needs plenty of yarn when she knits socks for Wheeler —he wears size 12 shoes!

Florence lost her skirt doing the Hula dance the other day. Wonder what gave her the urge?

Who is going to be chaperone on the trip to Albany? We know, because someone "squealed"—Shh! it's Nora.

SPORTS By Carpenter, Bullett and Russell

ADAMS - - BERKSHIRE COUNTY FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS

Adams High defeated Drury High by the score of 25 to 7 in their annual gridiron tussle, November 4, 1944 at Noel Field, before a packed grandstand of 3500 persons. By winning this game, Adams won the Berkshire County Championship and also placed itself right up on top for Western Massachusetts honors, along with Turners Falls and Westfield, each of whom has been defeated once this season.

Adams was by far, the best team in the Berkshire this season. Many fans have called them the greatest team Art Fox has ever had, and he has had some excellent teams. In Saturday's game, they did what was expected of them—pass Drury dizzy. Incidentally, Drury's pass defense has been absolutely putrid throughout the season.

Adams scored first on a beautiful pass play — Charbonneau to Mikutowicz, the play eating up some 45 yards. Later, in the second period, Urquhart fed the same Adams end another pass, and again, Mikutowicz romped to a score. Drury gave their only evidence of an offense late in the second quarter when Gordon Neville, substitute end, took a Frank Sinclitico pass over his shoulder and outraced the Adams secondary to score. It was Drury's third touchdown in seven games!

In the third period, after a march of 40 yards, Ed Olszowy went eleven yards off Drury's right tackle to score. Art Fox sent Charbonneau in late in the final period and he was good for just one play—a 33 yard touchdown toss to Ed Galuska who was standing all alone in the Drury end zone.

Outstanding Players

For Adams, the all-around work of Ed Olszowy stood out. He punted for better than a 40-yard average, one going for seventy-two, and was their biggest ground gainer. Charbonneau's passing, and Mikutowicz, one of the finest ends in Western Massachusetts, also starred for the Foxes. Jim Urquhart did a fine job calling the signals.

For Drury, the work of Bernie Birkland at center stood out. He was also all over the field making tackles and twice, stopped Adams touchdowns—once by intercepting a Charbonneau heave, and again by pouncing on an Adams fumble. Modlinger, Pierce and Gilmore also played well. Jim Curran's punting was another bright spot for Drury. He averaged 33 yards a punt.

Bernie Bullett

Bowling League

The Sprague Electric Bowling League, as we go to press, is in its fourth week of competition. The Lab has taken the lead after bowling three matches, followed by the K.V.A. and Sprague Products. The League, to date with a complete summary will indicate how keen the competition is this season.

Bowling Standings

High Team Triple—1566 Stockroom
High Team Single—552 Stockroom
High Individual Triple—341
H. Tourjee (Stockroom)
High Individual Single—136
J. Swistak (K.V.A.)

All teams listed below have played three matches as this score was printed, with the exception of K.V.A., Can Shop and Engineers, which have played two matches.

	Pts. Won	Pts. Lost	% Average
Laboratory	9	0	1.000
K.V.A.*	6	0	1.000
Sprague Products	6	3	.666
Machine Shop	5	4	.555
Stockroom	5	4	.555
Bathub Products	5	4	.555
Plating	5	4	.555
Lunchroom-Beaver	5	4	.555
Can Shop*	3	3	.500
Engineers*	2	4	.333
Maintenance Test	1	8	.125
Centrifuge	1	8	.125
Lunchroom-Brown	1	8	.125

*Played but two matches.

Girls League Formed

The girls of the Sprague Electric Company started their matches at the Olympian Annex Alleys on November 8, 1944. The League is represented by the following departments: *Beaver Street*: Dry Rolling, Western Electric, Block Test, Block Annex. *Brown Street*: Resistors, Mica Preparation, Sample Dept.

The interest shown by these teams at present, is 100% perfect! All indications point to a successful season. The girls are issuing a notice to the men's league to watch the records — broken before the first round is over — and fellows — this column thinks the same way!

Now that the girls league is all set and ready to go—perhaps if enough interest is shown by both men and girls at a future date—a mixed doubles match can be arranged.

Walt Carpenter

Kenny Russell

Tune in WTRY "Sprague on Parade"



Every Wednesday

3:30 - 4:00 P.M. - Dial 980

"I DO" NOTES



Miss Grace Southgate became the bride of T. Sgt. Arthur George, U.S. M.C. November 5, 1944.

Miss Lillian Reynolds of Section Test was married to William Flaherty, G.M. 3-c, at St. Francis Church, October 28, 1944.

Miss June Lahue of Block Test and Mr. Joseph Roberts were united in marriage October 28, 1944.

Miss Jeannette Roberts of Western Electric was married October 28, 1944 to Mr. Harold Cady of the Maintenance Dept.

Miss Marion Perrotta, of the K.V.A. department became the bride of Mr. Charles Charest on November 4, 1944.

Miss Jeanette Morin of Industrial Oil Finishing, was married to Mr. John Sarkis on November 4, 1944.

Tech. Sgt. Francis Cumberland, formerly of the Resistors was married at Camp Plauche, La. to Miss Catherine Noll on October 17, 1944

Anniversaries from the Dry Test Floor

Margaret Anderson celebrated her 27th wedding anniversary October 12th. Margaret received many gifts and a cake made by Mrs. Hauptfleisch.

Roy Trotter celebrated his wedding anniversary on October 19. A delicious cake was made by Mrs. Anderson and it was enjoyed by all in the Department.



A son was born October 27th to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Remillard. Edgar is "Cedo" of the Beaver Machine Shop.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sperle on October 18, 1944. Mr. Sperle works in the Maintenance Department.



Your Boy Is Everyone's Concern

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Geneva, Switzerland, Doris Gaudette first learned that her husband was held as a prisoner of war in Germany, on October 22nd. No further details were given. Later, the U. S. Government confirmed this fact. And by short-wave radio, a broadcast coming through Germany, listed Sgt. Gaudette as a prisoner of war, together with his serial number and his nearest relative. That was Friday, October 27th. By Monday morning, October 30, Doris Gaudette had received fourteen messages by airmail or postal card from various parts of the country, and many more during the week.

A youngster in Caribou, Me. writes: "Dear Mr. and Mrs. Gaudette — I just had to write to tell you about your son, Sgt. Chas. Gaudette. He is now a P.O.W. in Germany according to the German broadcast I heard tonight. I hope it eases you to know he is alive. I am 14 years old and live in Northern Maine. I hope and pray your dear Charles returns to you safely after this war. Sincerely,

Theresa Vasseur"

From New York:

Mr. Sanford Lowe of New York was one of the few persons to get the correct spelling of the name *Gaudette*. He stated that his message was the 11,726th he had sent from Berlin and Tokio sources. Postage was donated by Mr. Linwood Adams of Pittsfield, as an expression of thanks for a similar message telling him about his own son, Linwood, also a prisoner in Germany.

From Pennsylvania:

From Jenkintown, Pa., Mrs. Alice Zollies writes: "Dear Mrs. Gaudet: Tonight the Berlin radio reported the capture of Sgt. Chas. Gaudet, serial 31349378, as well, and safe in a German prison camp. . . Even though you have been notified of this, every little helps!"

From Dayton, Ohio: "At 6:11 EST the Berlin radio announced the names of five captured airmen, Sgt. Charles Wilson 'Godnette' among them, with you as next of kin. . . Please credit Kathryn Fitzgerald of Vallejo, Calif with postage for relaying this message."

Yes, deep is our concern for our young men and women valiantly serving their country, as witness the kindly thoughts of these people—and thousands like them throughout this broad land.

WAVE Doris Laurzon, now Aviation Machinist's Mate, 3-c. Received bond training at Hunter's College, and at Chicago. Now stationed at Pensacola, Fla., formerly employed in Mica Dept.

To Say Hello

Camp Shelby
Oct. 23, 1944

Dear Miss Owen:

Just a line or two to say hello, from a G.I. that no one knows. I would like to thank you for the *Log* that I'm receiving regularly.

There is one thing I would like to ask, and that is, what happened to Dry Rolling? They very seldom get into the *Log* since Mamie Farinon moved out of that department. Will you please let me know what happened to them?

Thanks again.

Regards,
Pvt. George MacDonald
Co. H, 260th Inf.
A.P.O. No. 200
Camp Shelby, Miss.



Charles Goodermote, SI-c, somewhere in the Pacific. Husband of Mae, of Resistors.



Ensign Chadwick Byer, with an Aircraft Carrier in the Atlantic. Husband of Betty, switchboard operator at Beaver Street, and son-in-law of Eva Gordon of K.V.A.



Alphonse Milisiewski of the skitroops, stationed at Camp Swift, Texas. Brother of Loretta of Dry Test.

Corp. Nicholas DeNegro, formerly employed in the Impregnating Dept. and who won his wings at Yuma, Ariz. has left for Westover Field where he will join his crew and report at Georgia for further training. He is the brother of Angelina DeNegro and Theresa Czaja.

Asks For Records

408th Air Service Squadron
323rd Service Group
APO 520 c-o Postmaster, N. Y. C.
New York

Hello Gang,

Just a few lines to let you know that I am still remembering the old gang. I read in the *Log* where two of our boys are listed as killed in action. I'm sorry to hear it, please extend my deepest regards to the families. I ran into Eddie Gage the other day and he is looking swell. I also called on Bobby Cutler the same day. He tells me that his kid brother, Ray is on his way home. I hope that it won't be too long before all of us are home. If you recall my last letter stated that I was waiting for word to come in on a transfer for me to be a Gunner. Well the word is here now and I am going to stay here at 408. I guess that they have enough Gunners now. I also noticed in the *Log* that you are going to send the records that are not claimed by the owners to the armed forces. I think that it will be a great help for morale. We have a club here at the Base and I think it is really like a Night Club in New York. We have a record player BUT it is very hard to get records for it, so far we have eleven or twelve on hand. If you send a few old records over to us, I'm very sure the fellows as well as the officers would thank you for them very much. I have asked my Mother to send me a few.

I'll be getting a chance for the Rome Rest Camp some day soon and will send you a few photos of it. Keep up your good work that you have done in the past.

Your friend and ex-coworker,

Jim Dillon

G. I. Student

Richard Martin, of the Networks Laboratory, is the first student to enter Williams College under the so-called G.I. Bill of Rights. He had been discharged from the Army in which he had served for eleven months, and while at Sprague's had taken a course at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute at Troy, N. Y. His ambition is to become an electrical engineer.

The G.I. Bill of Rights offers college education to discharged veterans, if they so choose, for at least one year of training.

Robert Nichols of a field artillery unit at Ft. Sill, Okla., has been promoted to the rank of Corporal. Bob formerly worked at Brown Street Shipping Dept.



Letters and News from

Dube At A Pacific Island B



Robert Dube holding a captured flag gives details.

"I Know What I

(The following excerpts are reprinted November 5th.)

BY GEORGE

You ask me . . . do I know what I'm doing? And then again, I'm very sure. I can't doesn't fit, it makes me wonder . . . Look at these clothes. I haven't Look at this mess kit and tin cup bed. A hole in a pile of rubble. And guys just like me all around. There's nothing to do but think. And I'll bet right now all of us k We are fighting to live. We want to And we want to stay alive, each of feel really counts for something.

Like the fellow once said, "Freedom Take Freedom from Want, for instance Sunday morning. With coffee-cake, from a china cup so thin you can see Liggett's, with chocolate at the bottom glass. A steak for supper, big as a car fries like little gold ingots. To me, that's what is Freedom from Fear? Look Safe and sound; tucked in between co of the outdoors still on them. Roscoe the corner. An autumn rain from a pe rhythm. A thought habit of all my grasp. "He will keep him in perfect say it . . . it brings a wonderful coura dom from Fear.

And Freedom of Speech goes something around the corner. Lippy Looie is bla I stop long enough to tell him he's wrong. A nickel and a phone booth. "Car See you at eight." Then I get in the ol "Fill 'er up and check the oil, Joe. Yo the deep purple with the loveliest girl I make the orchestra man play "I Lov the ride back home. The breathless r you kiss me good night?"

Give me the right to live and love the stump any time in your town mee me, that's Freedom of Speech.

And yes, Freedom of Worship, too. at last the meaning of the Master w Within You."

A little while ago, see, they brought He had six shirts on him, to help stav five guys up there in the patrol on tha night flies are big as bats and they blood plasma transfusions. Quarts of that's a miracle I can believe in. It's doctrine, that tell me God is Love. Yo your fellow-man. Now I know how to

To me, that's Freedom of Worship Sure, I know what I'm fighting fo

Wounded In Action



Pvt. John P. Carlton, formerly of Dry Formation, was wounded in action over Germany and hospitalized in Paris. Husband of Angelina of Block Test.

Assigned to Ship

Walter Langer, SIe, has graduated from a Bakers School in Jacksonville, Florida and assigned to his ship, the Braxton. He is the husband of Angie of Impregnating.

Wounded

Pvt. William Sharron was wounded in action with the Fifth Army in Italy, according to word received by his wife, Rita of Check Inspection. He had recently been awarded the infantryman's merit badge.

Home from European Front

Chief Petty Officer, Warren Dunton, who is attached to a construction battalion, has arrived in this country after having served for two years overseas, in Iceland, Scotland, England and France. Formerly worked in Mica Department.

Sgt. Arthur Murphy has arrived in southern France, according to information received by his mother, Mrs. Nellie Murphy of Block Test department.

om the Armed Forces

base



I Jap flag. His letter in this issue

'm Fighting For"

d from the New York Times magazine of
RGE PARK

I'm fighting for. Sometimes I wonder,
pull it down to my size. And because it
nd wonder.

been out of them in a week.
o. Not washed for days. Look at this

d. Good Joes. Fighting men.
So we think and think. Hard.
know what we are fighting for.
o stay alive.

us, in a world where what we think and
m is a lot of little things."

nice. To me, that's sausages and eggs on
A table with a white cloth and hot coffee
through it. A malted milk ice cold, at
t that seems never to want to leave the
teher's mitt, with a mountain of French
t's Freedom from Want.

I'm home in bed. Up in my own room.
I white sheets with the clean, fresh smell
(that's my dog) curled up on his rug in
a careful sky softly beating up on its roof-top
years pulls me back from sleep's quick
peace. . . . Nights out here. I still
ge all its own. . . . To me, that's Free-

ng like this: That old gang of mine, down
isting off about how the country is run.
ge. Or is he?

I see you tonight, darling? It's a date.
d jalopy. Stop at Joe's Service Station.
'night I'm King." The drive through
in all the world to old "Valley Dale."
e You?" till we're dizzy. The wonder of
moment waiting for the answer to "Will

and work and laugh. For this, I'll take
ings to make it everybody's right. To

Out here you find your God. You know
en He says, "The Kingdom of God is

down a buddy from the top of the ridge.
off shock. That means that there are
ridge with no shirts. It's cold and the
ite like pliers. That casualty will get
somebody's blood so save him. To me,
things like that, more than any creed or
find His holy expression shining through
pray, understandingly.

o.
! How about you?



In Belgium



T-5 Carl Dennis now with the
invasion forces in Belgium. Hus-
band of Marie of Check Inspection.

Reporting About:

Corp. Arthur Barbeau took part in
the invasion of the Palau Island accord-
ing to word received by his mother,
Violet, of Industrial Oils Rolling Dept.
He has also served in Guadalcanal,
Australia, New Guinea and Peleliu.

Pvt. Wm. Kaczowski has received a
bronze star for his Asiatic-Pacific
campaign medal. This star was a-
warded for his participation in the
Northern Solomons campaign. Bill
also holds the Good Conduct and
Marksmanship Medals. He entered
service two years ago, and has par-
ticipated in the major campaigns of the
New Hebrides Islands. He was
formerly employed in the Gas Mask
department.

Roger Vincette, formerly of the
Block Test department, has been
promoted to the rank of Corporal and
is stationed with the Army Air Forces
at Kearns, Utah.

The Plants were glad to welcome
Norman Tatro, son of Leo Tatro, our
guard. Norman has returned to the
States on a 30-day furlough after
being away for over two years. He
has served in the Pacific theatre of war.

Dube Meets Many Friends

October 13, 1944
South West Pacific

Dear Miss Owen:

How are you and the people at
Sprague's? I am fine and hope you
are all the same.

It has been quite some time since
I have written to you, so I will write
a few lines now, while I have a little
time to myself.

I received two copies of the Log,
yesterday and was very happy to get
them. They were quite slow in com-
ing because for some reason or other
even our first class mail comes second
class which takes quite a bit more time.
However as the old saying goes, "All
good things come slow."

We were quite fortunate in being
able to listen to the World Series
games direct by short wave.

Enclosed you will find a picture of
myself holding a Jap flag. I am stand-
ing in front of my tent and the Jap
writing means Sergeant Major. Our
first sergeant sleeps in this tent also.
The building at the left is a hospital
ward. No, it is not snow you see, it is
just the reflection of a very bright,
warm, sun.

Russell Cook, who worked for Jim
Mancuso is on this island also. As a
matter of fact he is a patient in the
hospital now. Nothing serious just
a skin irritation. I have also met
Don Brooks whose brother works for
Scotty, and also, Alfio Gigenti. It
was quite a reunion and we had a swell
time together. We even had steak
for supper the day I met them.

Well Miss Owen, as I have to go to
work now, I will close but will write
again soon.

Tell Jack Washburn, Bob Teeple,
Fred Potter, Fat Chenail, and Larry
Underwood I was asking for them, and
best regards to all my Sprague friends.

Sincerely,

Bob.

Pfc. Robert Dube 7267
121st Med. Bn. Co. D.
A.P.O. 716
c-o Postmaster
San Francisco, Calif.

Promoted

Pfc. Edward Garofano has been
promoted to a Corporal in Germany.
A veteran of the African, Sicilian,
French and Belgian campaigns, and
holder of the Purple Heart, he entered
service in October 1941. Cpl. Garo-
fano has two brothers in the service
who were former Sprague employees,
Anthony and Ernest. They are broth-
ers of Lena, of Bathub Assembly.



Thank You Letters For Cigarettes Received From All Parts of World

Dear Miss Owen:

Receipt of a shipment of cigarettes
presented by the members of your
organization is gratefully acknowledged.

The realization that the people
at home are still interested in our wel-
fare is very encouraging, and has been a
factor in keeping the morale of this
organization at a high level.

Sincerely yours,

William S. Stallworth
Captain Commanding

From Shipboard

Oct. 12, 1944
On a Ship

To the Sprague Electric Employees:

Today I have received a carton of
cigarettes from the employees of your
company. I appreciate the gift of
the employees of the Sprague Electric
Company.

I received the carton from my Sgt.
and looked inside to find who gave
them to me. So I decided to write to
your company.

There isn't much to write about, but
we do see movies, fights, and once in a
while I jump into a book and read a
few pages a day. That is what we do
mostly every day.

I shall remember what you have
done.

God bless you all and make V...—
come to us soon.

Pvt. Rudolph J. Jannotto

From A Hospital

Hospital
October 24, 1944

Sprague Electric Company
North Adams, Mass.

Dear Employees:

I want to thank you for the gift of a
carton of cigarettes. These are my
first Camels in six months and as I
am a Camel smoker, I really did
appreciate your gift.

Have been in action on the North
Burma front but am now in a Hospital
in India... My sincere regards and
thanks to everyone.

Yours truly,

Cpt. Paul W. Jones



Richard DeGraff, now stationed
in the Aleutians. Son of Leon of
Tubular Assembly.

Dear Miss Owen:

Am overseas, and still receiving the
Log. Thanks a lot. It's pretty nice
to get it and learn where all your
buddies are stationed in the Service.
Please note my present address, and
have the Log sent here. I only hope
that someday soon, I'll be receiving
the Log at my home address.

Regards,
Donald Roy



Ensign Alice Durnin, stationed
in U. S. Naval Hospital at Newport,
R. I., and Charles A. Durnin, S2-c.
Daughter and son of Alice of Re-
sisters.

Grateful For Record

October 23, 1944

Sprague Electric Co.
North Adams, Mass.

Dear Miss Owen:

I wish to take this means of showing
my appreciation for the Sprague
Electric Company's thoughtfulness in
sending me "His Service Record"
book for my son Henry.

I feel that Sprague Electric Com-
pany is showing a worthwhile interest
for the boys in the Service, which will
be doubly appreciated by the boys
themselves in years to come and also
by the parents at the present time.

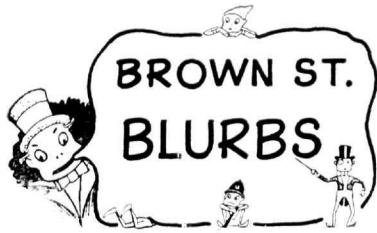
Very truly yours,
Mrs. Mabel Peirce



S-Sgt. George Paquin, now some-
where in France. He is the brother
of Thomas, of K.V.A.



S-Sgt. Anthony Toney, where-
abouts unknown, formerly sta-
tioned in India. Husband of Bar-
bara, of Dry Test.



BROWN ST. BLURBS

Thanks Her Committee

Mrs. Charlotte Trotter, Chairman of the Community Chest Drive for the Industrial Oil Division, wishes to thank her committee, Laura La Fountain, Marguerite Daub, Rachel Lawson, Barbara Crandall, Frances Stanton, Margaret Kernahan, Sally Sherr and all employees of the Industrial Oil Division for their support and cooperation in helping to put this drive over.

A job well done. Thanking you all, Mrs. Charlotte Trotter

Mica Finishing

By T. Bushika and E. Rhodes

A surprise shower in the form of a masquerade party was held for Grace Southgate, at the home of Florence Douglas. She received many beautiful gifts. Piano selections were given by Edna Habersetzer and a dance exhibition was given by Flo Douglas and Marge Blair. Group singing was enjoyed by all and a delicious lunch was served by the hostess, Mrs. Ann Douglas.

It must be getting tough in the Mica Department when you see the Stackers washing windows.

Will someone please give Gerry Rhodes some fashion advice? She was seen wearing plaid sport socks with an evening gown and slippers at a recent dance.

Sally Tallarico, Dot Gingras, and Ida Gigliotti spent the week end in New York City and were quite surprised to find Peter Mancuso patronizing the same restaurant.



Sgt. Frederick Crandall Stationed somewhere in France. Husband of Barbara, of Vit. Q.

Industrial Oil Rolling

By Blanche Duquette

SONGS THAT FIT:

Pat W.— "Sweet and Lovely"
 "Liz."— "Pistol Packin' Ma Ma"
 Jerry R.— "Gobs of Love for the Navy"
 Irene S.— "Show Me the Way to Go Home"
 Blanche D.— "I'll Walk Alone"
 Edith S.— "Keep Those Bottles Quiet"
 Doris L.— "Together"
 Alice B.— "Pretty Kitty Blue Eyes"
 Verlie A.— "Sleepy Time Gal"
 Nita— "Bury Me On the Lone Prairie"
 Anne— "Rocking Horse Ran Away"

Our birthday greetings go to our sweeper, Fred Crosina, who recently celebrated his 80th birthday. Birthday greetings also go to Lil Walker and Pat Walker.

Edith Shaw celebrated her first wedding anniversary on October 20th.

Our bowling team was recently defeated when we bowled Doris Lanoue and her "Pin Pals" from Williams-town. Much to our surprise, however, we made up for it when the men of the K.V.A. met another smashing defeat by forty-five pins.

K. V. A.

2nd Shift -- By Crowley and Green

SONG TITLES:

L. Mondia—"Pistol Packin' Mama"
 A. Boshoff— "What Do You Do in the Infantry"
 R. Felix— "Rosy the Riveter"
 B. Crowley—"You Always Hurt the One You Love"
 K. Harrington— "I Dream of You"
 M. Cozzaglio— "Behind Those Swinging Doors"
 B. Green—"Why Do They Always Pick On Me?"
 M. Fressola—"Yes, We Have No Bananas Today"
 J. Walsh—"Little Curley-Hair in the Highchair"

Stella Lucey is leaving us to join her husband in Springfield. We wish you lots of luck and happiness.

Johnny has been passing out gifts lately. Do we keep all of them separately John?

Here's wishing Mrs. Todd a speedy recovery.

The girls had a Hallowe'en party and had so much to eat that some had to be given away! A good time was had by all. Mrs. Boshoff did the "Harlem Fling," to the delight of all.

Betty likes cowboy records as well as everyone else. Why does Bill like them better when sung by her?

BYE-BYE BONDS!

Sample Lab

SAMPLE SAYINGS:

Frank: I have other fish to fry.
 Scully: Hey George.
 George: I can play the triangle too.
 Marion: I can get that in Pownal.
 Alma: You can say that again.
 Lorretta: I'll never tell.
 Gilda: Oh hecks.
 Dora: You don't say.
 Mary B.: You know it!
 Marge: Have you heard the one about . . .

Rita D.: Oh yeah!
 Eleanor: I'm so sleepy!
 Gladys: I'll think it over.
 Rita M.: Holy Crow! !
 Mary M.: Don't hurry, we've got lots of time.

Blanche: What's the matter with Adams?

Well we don't have to worry about the fishes any more, they died a natural death.

ADVERTISEMENT:

FOR SALE CHEAP—One Fish Bowl and some slightly used fish food. So long and Good luck to Lucille Ramsdel.

The Eyes and Ears of the Sample Lab.

Wire Coating

1st Shift -- By Betty Jangrow

Dorothy McKeon was pleasantly surprised by a visit from her son, Pfc. Richard McKeon, last week.

Pvt. Henry Puppolo, home on furlough after completing his basic training at Fort Bragg, surprised the whole Department with a visit last week.

Bill Battersby has been voted as the best dressed man of the week.

We all welcome Ed. Jepson back most heartily. Seems good to see those bins full of clean spools again. We hope you and your family enjoy better health this winter.

It seems all vacationers don't get a rest. How about it Ceil?



CHARTER MEMBERS OF CLUB



Three Brown Street employees are charter members of the "B. S. Club". Gino Maroni, Francis Falvey, and Walter Burr.

Members of Famous "B. S. Club"

The above gentlemen are members of the famous "B. S. Club", and charter members at that. All three work at the Brown Street plant. It is the only club of its kind, they state, from which 60 men voluntarily enlisted in service from a membership totaling 80. That's what they state! Anyway, because so many members enlisted, the Club had to disband, but will reorganize after the war. The "B. S. Club" was formed in 1940. In 1941 and 1942, the Club members gave a Christmas party to North Adams children, considered the largest Christmas party ever given to children's groups in the history of North Adams. The Club's most important mottoes are: "Always forward, never backward", and "Never say I don't know."

Meetings were held twice a month, and civic affairs for the good of the City were discussed. Once a month, clam chowder suppers were held for the neighbors. All initiations were held at the bottom of Red Bat Cave.

—Bertha Salavantis

Resistor Navy Line

By Bertha Salavantis

Frances Barry spent her vacation in New York, recently.

Julia Cirullo has just returned from her vacation.

Dot Belanger put in a full week recently. The first time for a long time! Keep up the good work.

Bertha Salavantis spent her vacation in New Jersey and New York. . .but don't ask her what she came back with — it's a secret!

A local orchestra has three members from the Brown Street plant in its personnel. Gino Maroni, leader of the band (incidentally he plays a mean trumpet) is from the Resistors, Humphry Krum, saxophonist is from the Mica Stockroom, and last but not least, is Marie Lemieux, vivacious soloist for the band. She is a talented pianist and is also a Resistor employee.

Checking Along With the Resistors

By Kay Corsi

A few of the goodies that are passed around here each day: lolly-pops, fudge, apples, peanuts, potato chips and pickles. It seems strange to me, at times, knowing that somewhere people rarely get such things to eat. Yes, we are very lucky to be living in America, but so few of us realize it!

It took Art VanSteemburg a l-o-o-ng time to fix his tire while going to meet his mother and father last week!

An old familiar question these days—Has anyone a cigarette I can borrow? What kind — are you kidding! ! !

New sweater girl for the Winders—Cassie Chaput.

Cooking honors of the week go to Mary Scarfone, for her cake and Lil Crandall, for her fudge.

Some people can amuse themselves with most anything, ask Stella Beauchamp.

Jennie Whitney is spending a few days with her husband in Virginia.

This is your reporter signing off 'til next time saying, "Be Wise—Buy Bonds."

Mica

By C. Bombardier

The stackers are all pepped up again over the fact that Nini Sacco is back to work after a three months' leave of absence. You certainly were missed Nini!

Mica Preparation

By Rita Johnson

Frances Millard is back with us again.

Marie Paonessa and "Gerry" Carlton have returned, following a week's vacation.

Maud Dupont spent the week end visiting in Pittsfield.

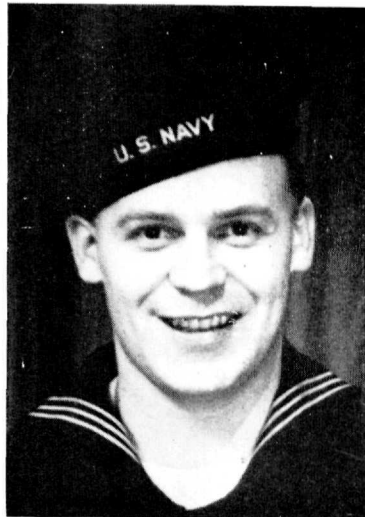
WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF:

The cafeteria were further away, and Jack Sullivan couldn't indulge in so much coffee.

Brown Eyes cut down on sweets. Take it easy, Dot!

Julia didn't have her crocheting to keep her out of mischief.

Rita couldn't buy her favorite perfume anymore.



Albert Chouinard Petty Officer, 3-c, now home on leave after serving in England and North Africa for the past year. Brother-in-law of Blanche Duquette, of Industrial Oil, and Marie Lemieux of Resistors, and Irene of the Brown Payroll Office and brother of Armand of Etching.

Meter Multiplier Room

By Cecelia Grenier

The girls of the Meter Multiplier Room enjoyed a Chicken dinner at Florini's Garden last night. Games were played and prizes were awarded to the Misses Inez Benoni, Betty Bellard, Pat Ryan, Kay Mullen, Evelyn Gardzina and Dot Short. Also Mrs. Vera Barrows, Rena Perra, Emma Fontaine and Florence Harris. A dance specialty was given by Miss Emily Wlodyka and Mrs. Myrtle Robertson sang a solo accompanied at the piano by Miss Hilda Bishop. The dinner was in the form of a Hallowe'en party.

It takes a party to discover talent. We never knew you had such a nice voice, Myrtle.

Never knew Francis Falvey could call a square set so well. Good for you, Fran.

Well Vera, about time you won that pool!



VICTORY DEPENDS ON EVERYONE, EVERYDAY

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS

STAY ON YOUR JOB—don't lose time!



Pvt. John Kenny, former supervisor of Mica Dept., now stationed at Scott Field, Ill.

Paper Networks

By A. Heath and W. Sheldon
Flo and Lida horse-back riding go,
They rode and rode, for an hour or so,
Now they are being sued.

For horse meat they never got to use!
Who is the dream girl of the Networks?
Could it be Jessie Wilk?

Everything is peaceful and quiet in the Networks until Flo Danforth gets things stirred up.

The big question among the Coil Winders is: "What is wrong with holding hands in the movies?"

We welcome Phyllis Carlson to the Networks.

Hurry back, Ida Watts, we miss you and hope you are feeling better.

Viola Rand and Millie Charbonneau are the busy bees around here.

"Buzz Buzz", Bernard Staakpoole is right on the ball these days.

Somebody is going to get drowned in the "Wishing Well."



Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ellsworth. Mrs. Ellsworth is the former Clara Osborne of the Resistor Navy Line.

Thanks Her Friends

Clara Ellsworth wishes to take this occasion to thank her many friends for the expressions of good will and presents which she and Mr. Ellsworth received at the time of their marriage.

Industrial Oil Stock

By Marie Barbuto

Welcome to Betty Samia and Matilda Berthiaume, newcomers to the Stockroom.

Best of luck to Richard Durkee who left for the Navy, October 24th. Dick was so anxious to be called he wrote in and volunteered to sleep in the WAVE's barracks until they could find room for him at Sampson.

Sam Solomon is still looking for a checker player. If anyone is interested, please call the Stockroom.

Party

A farewell party was held at Wenzel's Farm in Adams in honor of Richard Durkee and Robert Kelly. Dick left for Service, and Bob is waiting to be called. John Smith served as Toast Master. A poem dedicated to Bob was read by Mary Loftus. Speeches were given by Stanley Rusk, Bob Garner, Casimir, Strzpek, Lawrence Dufraime and Mr. Kelly. The boys were then presented gifts.

Highlight of the evening was John Smith leading a Conga Chain with a cow bell in his hand. A good time was had by all.

Resistor Shipping

By Evelyn Dodge

Mary Coody, S 2-c spent the week-end at home. She brought with her as her guest, Jane Dean, S 2-c of Spokane, Washington.

Rose Grillon has taken a leave of absence to be with her husband, just returned to this country after 19 months overseas. May your home leave be a pleasant one, Frank.

Who comforts me in moments of despair?

Who runs fingers lightly thru' my hair?

Who cooks my meals—darns my hose, Squeezes drops into my nose?

Who always has a word of praise, Sets out my rubbers on rainy days?

Who cheers me when I'm depressed— Makes sure my clothes are pressed—

Who helps to keep me on the beam— And figures in my every dream?

I do *Myself!* ! !

Etching

By Jane Dawson

Welcome newcomers to our department— Mary Quinn and John Mould.

Nellie Drobiak spent the last two week ends in New York (to see her brother). All we've heard is: "How is the Navy? How are the Coast Guards, and Your brother is a soldier."

Bernard Perras visited the Department— his father is Bill Perras.

Erma Miller is back with us after visiting her husband at Ft. Jefferson.

Bill's New Furnace

This is the story of Bill Sulle's new furnace:

Take off your hat and rest your shoes Bill Sulle's furnace is front page news. He patched it up with pieces of tin To keep the cold air from getting in.

He put in an oil burning unit one day And wired it in an unusual way. He worked all day and a couple nights Then he threw on the switch and blew out the lights!

He changed the wires and tried it again. His second fuse was an old "has-been". He worried all day and he worked all night—

But his oil-burning furnace refused to ignite.

Our ears have been bent for the past week or two

About that furnace that's almost new. So we hope and pray by the first of the year

That oil-burning furnace will be off—our—ear!



Tubular Assembly

By Gertrude Gentile

Ah, Frank—when you sing and the Baby Soxers all fall for you! But Lucille, not down the stairs.

Mary Walsh and Lucille Nephew vacationed in New York where Lucille was injured in a fall in the mad rush to hear Sinatra at the Paramount theatre.

What kind of bells do we hear, Doris Benini, since your trip to Pennsylvania?

Our best wishes go with Earl O'Neil in his new venture.

Hi! Bucky Bernardi—somewhere in France! The gang says Hello to you and good luck!

Machine Shop

By E. Remillard and J. Walsh

Machine Shop "Cooperative" Proves Successful

The Machine Shop "Co-operative Fund", for their own Service men, continues to roll up sizeable amounts. That lottery (pardon us—Co-operative) held at the noon hour of October 21st was a sellout before it got underway. Its popularity was due to the Grand Prize offered—a carton of CIGARETTES! Men fell over themselves, the guards were called out to keep order, as the men of the department placed their contributions for the final winning. The carton brought the tidy sum of \$8.50 and the winner is not listed for fear his home might be ransacked.

The Co-operative for the Saturday of October 28th, was sedate in comparison. Timelocks, lemon pies, angel cake, a plastic hammer, chocolate chip cookies and sugar cookies were offered for sale, with H. MacDonald, E. Hinkell, S. Dean, A. B. Lindquist, W. Baumert, J. Cooper and H. Koloc as the donors. \$7.25 was raised.

The Machine Shop have big things in mind, to help their Service men with this money raised.

To The Rescue

The entire Department has come to the aid of "Cedo" Remillard, in naming the third arrival in his family. Several factions had suggested Franklin, or Delano, or Franklin Roosevelt Remillard, or Thomas E. Dewey Remillard. These did not seem euphonious enough—so Percival, Napoleon, Batiste, Medose, Papino and Larochele were suggested. Ceda has about decided to settle for Roger Remillard!

The Department was glad to welcome Daniel Baker, Seaman, a former co-worker who was home on a furlough from his base in California.

Dry Test

By Marie Sherry

We welcome Jennie Chalifoux and Margaret Anderson to our Department, transferred from Boxing.

Lena Vicari is still dreaming about her week end trip to New York City where she saw Frank Sinatra *in person* and enjoyed a night club and the Ice-capades.

We welcome Gladys Sullivan, Eleanor Stack and Leonore Tarnuzzer into Dry Test.

Doris Rondeau is spending two weeks in North Adams. She sure misses the farm—we wonder why?

"Blondie" Luczynski of the Marines recently visited Dry Test—it certainly was good to see him again.

The girls of the A.C. line surprised Lou Siciliano with a six header ice cream cone—he ate it all. How is that for one's stomach!

The former girls of the B.T.C.P. held a shower at the home of Mary Palmer for Phyllis Shephard. An attractive lunch was served by the hostess and Phil received many gifts. A swell time was had by the crowd.

We were very glad to hear that Mrs. Bunting's daughter, June, who is a WAC was home over the week end.

Helen LeSage held a Halloween party at her home, which was attended by many of the girls in Dry Test. A good time was had by all.

Engineering Specs

By Hazel Goodale

Several members of this Department have enjoyed vacations recently: Hazel Goodale spent hers at home; Ray Calvi spent a few days visiting friends; William Carlton spent his out of town and Howard Sherman remained at his home.

Margaret Brousseau of this Department and her friend, Winifred Sheldon from the City Hall enjoyed a week end visit in Granville, N. Y.

Howard Sherman, Joe O'Brien, Raymond Calvi, Bill Carlton, Bill Allison and Fred Potter went to New York last week end to attend the Army-Duke football game. They saw Army win in a game which was very exciting during the last half.

The girls of this Department spent a pleasant evening at a supper party which they held at the Richmond Grill. After supper, everyone went to the movies and enjoyed a good show.

Check Inspection

By Linda Brown

A party was held at Florini's in honor of Isabel Byrne who is leaving us to live in Long Island, N. Y. She was presented with a traveling bag. Good luck to you, Belle.

Want some entertainment? Ask Fran Morse to dance "Begin the Beguin" for you.

WHO is "Gabble Gertie"? To work at eight bright and cheery. Inspect all day 'til you are weary Of leakage, heat tests and exceptions— This I write without reflections.

Sample Lab

By The Shadow

My cloak was tattered and torn, and I was unable to put in an appearance, but I have a new one and will try to be with you once more.

Dot Martin and Isabelle Brundridge are making frequent visits to New York on week ends to be with their husbands.

Francis Scott is with us, after working at the Sample Laboratory at Brown Street.

John Scott is a new member of our gang, working after school. Hope you like us.

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF:

Rose—had all the stamps she wanted. Isabelle—brought roller skates to work. Emma—didn't drop paper.

Mac—spent the entire day in the room. Billy—didn't notice the girls. Don—didn't pat his own back.

Dot—lost her voice. Alice E. and Jo—couldn't talk about their dogs.

Alice C.—forgot to smile. Theresa—came to work with a smile. Val—lost her good nature.

Block Annex

By E. Perrault and P. Marlowe

What would happen in Block Annex if: Evelyn Bissailon ran out of poems, Alice Lavariere didn't have a smile Dolores Bailey ran out of words Karen Tash didn't have a pleasant word for everyone

Everyone agreed about the windows A record was played which Margaret

Greene couldn't name Guiseppi Regaioli ran out of tips

Harry Embry couldn't find anything to do.

Ella Hudson lost her chair George LeSage forgot his extra sandwich.

Eunice Timothy wasn't expecting a letter.

Junior Rennell was ever discouraged. If one whole day went by with the sun shining, and no regrets—and everybody smiling—let's not think about it!

Anyone interested may get tickets from Edith Collins and Dolores Bailey for the Victory Vanities—these two young ladies are chorus girls in it.

Margaret Greene spent her week end visiting her sister in New York.

Paper Rolling

By Margaret Lamberti

Calling all cars—calling all cars! Be on the lookout for a girl five feet tall, fair complexion, dark hair. Outstanding characteristic—she is always wearing spikes. Using the alias of "Spike" Theriault. Last seen in the vicinity of the Brown Street Plant. Dangerous character for Brown Street—but return to Paper Rolling at Beaver.

The Paper Rolling girls went to Adams bowling last week, and want to know what time the sidewalks are rolled up there. Don't get mad—Helen! We just couldn't find them. Did someone suggest asking for *alleys* nine and ten? A little lefty has been added to the team, our Sara Laversa.

Who is the blue-eyed boy who goes to the bowling alleys to cheer us—and Evelyn Sheehan?

We wish to extend our sympathy to Kathryn Dunn, on the loss of her uncle.

Julia Ameen is the proud sister of a baby brother.

Mother Barrett is back with us again. We hope she is feeling fine.

We hear that our good friend, Joe Huna has been on a rest leave in the Himalaya Mountains. Hope your next leave, will be the good old U.S.A.

Night Shift

Congratulations go to Rachel Godbout for her birthday, October 21st.

Esther Bissailon, Florence Harrison, Evelyn Baker and Lena Priori are back with us after leaves of absence.

Ruth Beaudin—the former Ruth Anderson, of this Department was blessed with a 7½ lb. baby girl recently.

Check Inspectors Hold Farewell Party



Seated: Ethel Brown, Beatrice Pierce, Peggy Sullivan, Belle Byrne (guest of honor), Frances Cerninara, Norma Lerta and Frances Morse.

Standing: Emma Marino, Freda Solen, Theresa Montagna, Anna Roy, Agnes O'Brien, Marie Dennis, Helen Guertin, Doris Domenick, Elizabeth Short, Corinne Vanier, and Rita Pedrin.

Photo by H. Mazzuchi

Section Test

By Margaret Daniels

This Department extends sincere good wishes to their bride, Mrs. William Flaherty, the former Lillian Reynolds.

What's this, we hear, Peggie? Two rings from one Marine? Not bad!

Wyeth—How come you were on Main Street at quarter of five one morning?

SONGS THAT FIT:

- Margaret— *It Had to Be You*
- Charlotte— *This Love of Mine*
- Stella— *I Walk Alone*
- Ruth— *Pistol Packin' Mama*
- Helen— *Hot Lips*
- Larry— ?
- Peggy— *I'm Dreaming Tonight of My Blue Eyes*
- Jeannette— *Oh, How I Hate to Get Up In the Morning*

Plating

By Lucille Little

The Plating Bowling Team wishes to express their thanks to Jennie Chalifoux for her card of sympathy (when the Can Shop took three points!) and her card of congratulation (when the Plating Department took two points from that crack Sprague Products team).

Speedy recovery of Art Roy.

Reginald Kleiner was a recent visitor to our Department.

Ness Roberts was a guest at a Golden Wedding anniversary at Marlboro, Mass.

Did anyone see Alice? Please return her to Plating.

The peace of the Department has been shattered—Rose is back.

NOTICE: Anyone knowing of the whereabouts of a pack of Chesterfields, please notify Grace.

Rarick must have something pretty important on his mind — a hard problem to solve.

Production Scheduling

By A 'n L

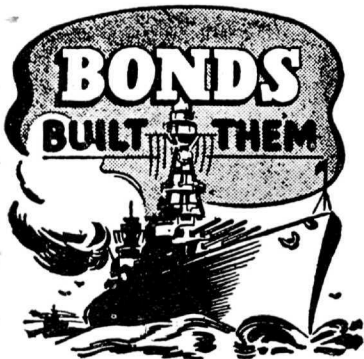
It takes a Minstrel show to let us know how much talent we have—Wayne Davis, John Muldowney, Florence Southgate and Helen Root. All doing their bit for a good cause.

Welcome back, "Rae" Bongiolotti—it's nice to have you with us again.

We wonder why the boys haven't taken advantage of the peg boards in the Production Office for their cribbage games—they should certainly be able to run up some nice high scores on them.

Ray Mahar is all set for winter weather with his sheep-lined coat — trying to compete with Mamie and Alice!

The knitting bug has hit the Office this year—drop in any noon and see the girls working industriously.



Japs captured in New Guinea battle. Picture was taken by Henry Vareschi of Army Air Corps.

Boxing

By Connie Urbano

The "Four Hundred" had a Hal-lowe'en Party at the home of Mrs. Anne Sweeney. Games were played and prizes were won by Jo Pisano, Anne Sweeney and Tessie Czaja. Prizes were also awarded for the best costumes: Jennie Melito as Baby Snooks won first prize (some baby) and Jennie Chalifoux as an Arabian dancer won second prize. That Jennie sure can dance!

Anne Sweeney — did you ever solve the mystery of the Lost Beans?

Mary Kryston—that is quite some lunch your mother donates to the cause, every day.

The Wrapping Table is called the "Sunshine Group" because they all radiate so much happiness.

Jo Pisano spent the week end in New York.

Kenny Hill of the U.S.N. and Petty Officer 2-c, a former member of our Department has been overseas for seventeen months, was a recent visitor in the Plant.

Here comes George, with an order to rush, Johnny comes over—"We must get this out!"

He says with a gush.

We girls are on the ball—There's only four hundred in all.

Quickly, from Assembly Line to our pourer they go.

It's all speed on Our line — Nothing is slow!

Things you never know about: That time when Connie started for New York and her suitcase opened in the North Adams station—and lo and behold — her clothes were scattered all over the place. New York, here we come with a bang!

Networks

By Lucy DeFazio

Claire Carlton, better known as "Bunny", who enlisted in the WACs some time ago, visited our Department. She says "It's wonderful, you should all come, too." She is now stationed in Washington.

We extend our sincere sympathy to Frank Godfrey who lost his father recently.

Dick Martin of our laboratory has left to attend Williams College. He will continue working with us after school.

Helen Corsi attended the Commissioning of the U.S.S. Missouri. Her sister, Rose of Paper Assembly also was invited. Their brother, Vincent R. Corsi is a member of the crew. Helen says: "It was the most beautiful sight I have ever seen."

Joe Macksey has been transferred to Paper Tubular Assembly at Brown Street. We will miss you, Joe.

Western Electric

By Emma Alongi

The Department extends a welcome to our new co-workers, Norine Colo, Angie DeMayo, Frances Bushika, Ida Miller, Dennis Hoxie.

Three cheers to our bowling team: Lorraine Lamoureux, Vickie Candiloro, Anita Wojnicki, Peg St. Pierre, Vickie Yeargin, and Shirley Degere. The Department wishes you a successful and victorious season.

Jean Zelazo recently celebrated her eighteenth birthday. She was presented with a lovely gift and also with a birthday cake from her co-workers.

Twenty girls from our Department held a Hallowe'en party at Florini's, and later, enjoyed a hayride and dancing.

We were sorry to see Oliva Richards, Sr. get his first red mark on the Attendance Record. He has had a perfect attendance, with no tardiness since the first of the year! And three cheers for our Anne Kirby, who holds a clean record for perfect attendance during that same time!

Just Wondering —

Who the "Sawdust" twins are.
If Danny believes in Stop signs.
If Dotty learned a lesson.....

Factory Engineering

By "Edie" and "Doe"

If John Tol(mie)—Bernie to fire a Bullett at Edith for raising the Dick-ins(on) and George was a-Fallon down the stairs while Armand did a Trot- (ier) into town to get Doris a banana Roy(al) and Andreanna Pryst(as) her nose to the window pane to watch them, and Bill ran to the Jette to see the Earl(y) Bur(ke) of the plants floating on the water, I'd say it was a mental case, wouldn't you?

F is for Friendliness

- A Alertness
- C Courtesy
- T Truthfulness
- O Orderliness
- R Readiness
- Y You

E is for Endurance

- N Neighborliness
- G Gratefulness
- I Inquisitiveness
- N Nobleness
- E Enthusiasm
- E Eagerness
- R Rational
- I Infinity
- N News
- G Good Gracious!! Put them all together and they should (?) spell

Block Test

By Barbara King

Congratulations to the former Lorraine Pinsonneault, now Mrs. Bernard Bullett, married October 23rd., and to our former June Lahue, now Mrs. Joseph Roberts, married October 28th. Your co-workers wish you every happiness.

Albert Vareschi recently spent his week's vacation on a hunting trip on the Mohawk Trail.

Anna Barnes spent a week end in New York, visiting relatives.

Welcome back to Jeanne Zdon who was visiting her Marine husband in Texas.

Block Test Makes Splendid Attendance Record

The following persons had a perfect attendance record for October — AND with no tardy marks, either!

Catherine Veazie, Claire Denno, Donald Beaudin, Marion Sullivan, Grace Wyman, Frances Solari, Rose Colley, Frederick Landry, Eve Stone, Caroline Grant, Roma Mezwioz, Fred Suthers, Grace Collins, Bertha Jennings, Elizabeth Fleury, Theodore Raymond, Rena Soulia, and Joseph Dayon.

Also Georgianna Galligan, Alda Massari, Eleanore Stoeber, Agnes Perry, Alma Beaupre, Lena Cuccia, Irene Carsno, Emily Koczela, Barbara King, Lucille Beaudry, Mary Zito, Ruth Blanquart, Dolores Bailey, Anna Werner, and Harry Embry.

Congratulations to these thirty-three co-workers on their splendid attendance. Let's see if we can get a larger number for next month!

Block Test's Own WAC Writes the Department

Dear Civilians:

This is your own WAC, writing after a very hectic day. We have been outfitted as "G. I. Janes" and you should see me in my size nine Lil' Abner shoes! I'm the youngest girl in the barracks — the oldest is forty-nine, but we all get along pretty well.

As for the train ride — it was quite an experience. I went through Troy, Rochester, Buffalo, Cleveland, Cincinnati and across Kentucky, Tennessee and landed in Chattanooga early Friday morning. (All I saw on the train were pigs, cows and corn!).

You live by a whistle — and you are always falling in or out. We had two fine drills yesterday....The PX is quite the thing and the "day room" is, too. All kinds of games and stuff. We drilled and drilled and drilled. And we washed our barracks — and I mean WASHED everything, —and when all the girls start slinging a mop — it isn't half bad!

This is a temporary barracks. When I get my permanent address, I'll send it to you. 'Til then, I'll sign off. The Army is OK, and this life is swell. Join the WAC's — this is not an ad!

Pvt. Shelly

Bathtub Assembly

By T. Boulerville and R. Haskins

Lea Johnson is visiting her sailor husband in New York City.

We hope to have Cora Millis back with us soon.

S-Sgt. Floyd Pettibone of the U. S. Marine Corps, stationed in the South Pacific writes his mother, Pearl, that he now has five bronze stars on his Pacific ribbon—which is the equivalent to one silver star. Sgt. Pettibone participated in the invasion of Palau, and has been overseas 27 months.

Can Shop

By Lena and Russ

Welcome back, Rose and Helen.

Frank Morandi took up horse back riding — only he can't stay on the horse!

Results of that week end Hunting Trip — WHO brought back a sparrow?

Lena seems happy when she goes up to the Machine Shop once in a while — what have they got that we haven't?

Who fell off the bed while doing his setting-up exercises?

We are still looking for that old sink for Zig.

The boys in the gang enjoyed a party at Florini's in honor of Cesare Spagnola who enlisted in the Navy.

Impregnating

By Angie Langer

The Department misses Serine LaBonte, our former supervisor, who has gone in for farming. His co-workers presented him with a billfold, and wish him the best of luck in his new venture.

That Mexican celebration affected George Melsky in such a manner that now, he just loves the color — red, and the number — seven.

Velma has been making special doughnuts (cooked in wax) every morning for a certain party. We only hope he doesn't become absent minded and try eating one.

Dick Babcock met with an accident when he and his motorcycle went over an embankment. Fortunately, Dick wasn't hurt. Since then, Dick traded his motorcycle in and is learning to pilot a plane.

Dan Millis has added a fourth star to his service flag, now that his son Johnnie, has been accepted by the U.S.N.

Eddie's one ambition is to be shipwrecked on an island!...With whom, Eddie?

Harry has given up his horse racing for bus riding to Williamstown. Don't forget, Harry — those buses run on a schedule and not according to weather.

Joe Breda is now a "City gentleman" after selling his chickens and eggs and moving into town.

"Red" — what happened at the party when you were accused of burning the varnish on the piano? Must have been hot stuff that affected the piano that way.

There will be a christening -- maybe. Walt, what name would you suggest for a transport?

"From Me to You"! Congratulations, Dan and Mrs. Millis on your 37th wedding anniversary.

Safety Corner



Pick up things from under your feet -- they can cause serious accidents.